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March 11, 2009

Ms. Tina Robinson
TDEC-DWPC
203 Silverdale Road
Johnson City, TN 37601-2162

**Re: Corrective Action Plan Update
Airgas Mid America, Inc.
445 Industry Drive
Kingsport, TN 37660
SOP-79049, Sullivan County
TH&P Project No. 0951701E**

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**JOHNSON CITY ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSISTANCE CENTER**

Dear Ms. Robinson:

As per the Division's correspondence dated September 5, 2008, please find the following update letter relating to the September 2, 2008 Corrective Action Plan.

As documented in the previously submitted Corrective Action Plan, Airgas will design, bid, contract and have a decant tank system installed to collect the lime slurry produced by the acetylene manufacturing process.

Upon completion of a geotechnical investigation, TH&P has completed layout drawings for the decant tank system. Attached with this letter is a facility location map, a facility map showing the location of the proposed decant tank system and engineered drawings of the decant tank system pad. Also attached with this letter are markup drawings of the piping specifications for the decant tank system.

To-date, Airgas has received bids for the construction/installation of the decant tank system. Airgas will award the contract upon the Division's approval of the attached information.

Upon receipt of the Division's approval, Airgas will submit an updated timeframe for the completion of the decant tank system installation and subsequent closure of the lime slurry pond. As documented in the previously submitted Corrective Action Plan, the lime slurry will continue to be hauled to customers for beneficial use.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me or Mr. Steve Warner at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Shon Pritchard, PG
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